

The Pocahontas Times.

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THE LEGISLATURE.

Our delegate, Hon. I. B. Moore, has proved himself to be a very capable and efficient legislator. He has introduced a number of bills of paramount importance to the people, and those who watched their course saw them advanced through the tangled mass of legislation in a way that showed there was a patient, painstaking, and able legislator forcing them along. Nearly every member had a glow in his portfolio when he came to Charleston, but Mr. Moore was the one passed. He is a very conservative and efficient representative and upholds the dignity of our county in an admirable way.

The Gazette makes this statement in regard to N. B. Scott. The construction placed by the United States Senate on the law for the election of Senators is that on the first day of a joint assembly a majority of the whole elective body is necessary, but that after the first day a majority of a quorum present will elect. Scott received 48 votes of a body composed of 97 members. It is said that in case the legislature is in session after the 4th of March another vote will be had on the senatorial question.

The regular term of the legislature ends Friday night at midnight by the clock in the hall, which is regularly turned back until the gray daylight shows through the windows and dispels the legal fiction. The absorbing question now is whether the legislature will continue in session any longer. This may be done by both houses voting an extension of the time, or by the Governor calling an extra session. Long legislatures are not looked upon with favor by the people, and the politicians know it. The public regard a legislature as a necessary evil, and believe that the least said is soonest mended. It is very uncertain at this time whether the legislature will be in session after the regular time expires or not.

We take it that the cause of that poor Charleston barkeeper Beller making an attempt upon his life with morphine and being saved by a stomach pump, which the Gazette states as not being known, is really the presence of the legislature. It is well known that overwork will drive a man to distraction. Supplying the concentrated thirst of a West Virginia legislature with mixed drinks may have mixed up his mental faculties, and when he saw the end of his work in view, and a rest from his labors, they sprang an extension of the legislature upon him and it was enough to make him decide to go hence and be no more.

The moving of the capital to Parkersburg has been abandoned. It would have been a ridiculous thing to have moved it to the State line anyway. The next thing would have been to send it to Ohio along with other good things.

The bill requiring insurance companies to pay the face value of a policy if they paid any, was killed in the Senate. The good feature of this bill was that it would have had the effect of preventing the property owner paying on insurance which he could not collect, and would have caused the companies to have estimated beforehand how much insurance ought to be written on property, which the owner has to do now to a large extent.

Hereafter all criminal executions in West Virginia will take place within the walls of the penitentiary. Murder, arson, and rape are punishable with death by the laws of West Virginia. This was the first bill signed by the Governor.

We are gratified to hear that A. W. Moore, who has survived the storms of more than 83 winters, is thriving and informs The Times about the number and aggregate of the snow of this recent breaking season and the barometer ranges, when the proper time arrives.

WEBSTER AND US.

Again have we queried ourselves with Webster, to believe the Webster Echo. We said that an attorney of that county had drawn up a writ upon which a trial was had in which a prominent Pocahontas man was charged with "taking, stealing and carrying away one field." In the refutation The Echo says that such a writ was actually drawn up, but (by intimation) two able and more intelligent lawyers getting hold of it in time, did sit upon the same and quash it, of their own volition, and got up a warrant in the language of the code saying that the defendant did "deface and destroy the said real property," or words to that effect. Confusion worse confounded! How could Withrow McClintic, hustler that he is, "destroy" a field of the value of many hundred dollars? Farmers, be careful of your fields! It was a right of way case and there seems to be something wrong in the face of the editorial. But to be serious law-forms are often absurdly illogical, and we do not blame the lawyer for being resentful when we poke fun like that at him.

We submit to being called a "freak." "Sport" is what the writer probably means if he speaks of us in a biological sense. What we do object to in the article is the assertion that we "have it in for Webster County." We have a regard for Webster that makes this impossible. We have many good friends in Webster for whose sake we have spared the county until this day, and our associations with the county are wholly pleasant. It is a truly great county, without reproach, void of offense, and its inhabitants are above resenting any fancied or ill-conditioned slur concerning their corporate greatness.

A fakir in Cincinnati is in the stutcher cure business. He has asked for free advertising space "for the sake of suffering humanity," but his latest offer is more liberal. He will give the newspaper man \$5 for every patient secured through an advertisement, and a work on "Artichokes." He says, "Remember the Golden Rule, put yourself in the stutcher's place and send him to me to be cured." The rule we admire most is the one said to have been formulated by John Randolph, "Pay as you go."

Last Friday night, February 16, the most startling of recent events occurred when M. Felix Faure, President of the French Republic died at 10 o'clock, after an illness of three hours, from heart failure superinduced by a slight stroke of apoplexy. All France is in commotion. Loubet was chosen as his successor.

Sharp fighting occurred Sunday in the suburbs of Manila. The California volunteers retired from Gnadalupe to San Pedro Macati, and efforts to route the Filipinos from the jungles were fruitless. It is now the hot season in the Philippines and troops are frequently prostrated. The wet season opens in March when scenes like those that transpired at Santiago may be anticipated.

"In this kind of weather it pays a man to look after his sole's welfare."

"In matrimony," says Brother Watkins, "de man what hesitates am bossed."

"It does not auger well for a young man when the girl he is paying attention to regards him as a bore."

Fiduciary Notice.

The following fiduciary accounts are before me for settlement:

R. M. Beard and Mrs. Nannie E. Beard, administrators of J. H. M. Beard, deceased.

R. W. Hills, P. C., and as such administrator of E. L. Dydard, deceased. J. H. PATTERSON, Commissioner of Accounts.

Dentistry.

Monterey, Va., Jan 31, 1899

I will visit points in Pocahontas county, as given below, on dates named, and will be prepared to attend to all calls for professional service.

FROST..... 15 to 19 Feb.
ACADEMY..... 21 to 27
MARLINTON..... 1 to 6 March
EDRAY..... 7 to 12
HUNTSVILLE 13 to 17
DUNKMORE..... 18 to 24
GREEN BANK..... 24 to 29
TRAV. REPOSE. 30 to 3 April
O. J. CAMPBELL, Dentist.

Mrs. M. P. Slaven.

Mrs. Margaret Priscilla Slaven, relict of the late J. Randolph Slaven, of Huntersville, died suddenly at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. McClintic, Marlinton, February 8, 1899, aged 67 years, 4 months and 6 days.

She was born at Green Bank, Upper Pocahontas, October 3, 1831. Her parents were John Woodrell and Mary Slaven, persons representing pioneer families of our county. The names of Woodrell and Slaven are identified with the annals of our section of West Virginia for more than a hundred years. By industry and good citizenship the Slavens and the Woodrells have served a good and influential part in giving tone and character to society. Mrs. Slaven's mother was a daughter of John Slaven, a person of marked prominence in his day in county affairs.

August 12, 1852, Mr. and Mrs. J. Randolph Slaven were married. About the time they were gathered around themselves the comforts of an established home and making a fair start in life the war intervened and it is needless to repeat here how Upper Pocahontas was "scattered and peeled" during those mournful years. About 1871 believing Missouri would be a favorable place for their young and growing family of five sons and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Slaven migrated to that State. Not finding the prospects such as had been anticipated the family returned to West Virginia immediately. On the journey home several members of the family were stricken with fever, and were delayed several weeks at Webster Station, near Grafton. While thus delayed our lamented friend saw three of her children suffer unto death: Lucas aged 12 years, Oliver aged 5 years and Willy aged 3 years.

Mrs. Slaven seems to have been "rightly exercised" by her afflictions. Upon resuming the journey towards the old home, leaving the three graves of her loved children, heart-broken and disquieted in spirit, she was equal to it all as we learn from the way she would speak of her troubles. "Let us try to be resigned. Though it is hard to give them up, still our little boys are better off with their Savior. While God has taken three to be with Him, He has left us these four. Let us cheer up, and do all we can for their comfort and well-being."

This brave resignation never recast away her confidence in the promised mercies of her Heavenly Father. Should her friends notice the Bible she had read and treasured for years and years, they will find on one of the pages showing most marks of frequent perusal these words, "The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want." Many other pages appear as if they had been read and prayed over in the intervals of busy toil and useful service.

In the good providence of her Heavenly Father, His trusting daughter was made glad according to the days wherein she was afflicted and the years wherein she saw much sorrow, and the lines fell to her in pleasant places. The two daughters Mrs. S. L. Brown and Mrs. L. M. McClintic had homes where the mother could hear from them every day, and be with them almost as often. The mutual affection of mother and daughters seemed to intensify as the years moved on, and cares, afflictions and personal responsibilities enabled them to appreciate the precious worth of a mother's advice, sympathy and unselfish ministrations. Her sons Oscar and Guy, though far removed, were making their way through life in a manner very gratifying to her.

The writer makes an extract from a recent editorial in the local paper, and fully endorses the same as a tribute of which Mrs. Slaven is justly deserving:

"We know of no one who has made herself more necessary to her loved ones or who will be more sincerely missed and mourned by her large circle of friends. The highest type of womanly and christian character was exemplified in her life. She was permitted to live to see all her children occupying useful and honorable positions in life, and her last years have been peaceful and happy; her paths made smooth by the hands of her loved ones. Devotion to others was a second nature with her, and one always felt that it needed but "Grandma" Slaven's presence to make all things home like and comfortable. While her sudden death was a shock hard to be borne by her friends, it was infinitely merciful in that she knew no pain or bodily distress."

Memorial services were held in the Marlinton Church, February 19, and were attended by an interesting and sympathetic audience. The memorial text was 1st Thessolomians 5:11, "Wherefore comfort yourselves together and edify one another, even as also ye do."

The sons and daughters desire to express their heartfelt appreciation for the timely and very helpful sympathy shown by numerous friends.

S. L. Brown, voluntary weather observer at this place reports the aggregate snowfall at this place during this month to be 29 1/2 in.

P. A. Landes has returned to Pocahontas county from Upshur.

DEATHS.

PROF. M. G. MATHEWS.

Prof. M. G. Mathews, so widely known in our county in public school circles, died Saturday afternoon, February 18, at the home of his friend Samuel M. Gay on Indian Draft near Edray. His age was about 53 years. His disease heart trouble of long standing, aggravated by a gripe.

By common consent Mr. Mathews was regarded as one of the most remarkable citizens of his time, and for reasons readily understood by all who know his personality and individual history. Few persons have waged the warfare of life more heroically and successfully than this excellent man. By plodding industry and energy well high superhuman he attained the distinction of being one of the most popular of teachers, and served two terms as superintendent of public schools, much to the satisfaction of the public.

As a compensation for bodily infirmities kind providence seems to have endowed him with discriminating and intuitive powers of mind that seemed to those who noticed this faculty as something phenomenal. With this afflicted, quiet, yet remarkable person life has been a grand object lesson as to the possibilities that lie before our West Virginia youth, if but meagre opportunities be but diligently improved.

MRS. MARY ANN HOGSETT.
February 15, 1899, on Brown's Creek Mrs. Mary Ann Hogsett, wife of William Perry Hogsett, aged 74 years. Her decease was very sudden and a great surprise to her family and neighbors. She heard the clock strike three Wednesday morning, spoke of it, and seemed perfectly well. At four Mr. Hogsett noticed her labored breathing and on speaking to her received no answer. Upon attempting to rouse her she made no response, and when he raised her head she expired at once.

Mrs. Hogsett was the only daughter of the late Hugh McLaughlin, Esq., of Huntersville. Her children are Rev. Wellington Hogsett, of Mill Point, S. Renick Hogsett on Brown's Creek, Mrs. John F. Wanless and Mrs. Ada C. Moore, near Dilleys Mill, Mrs. Sheldon Moore and Mrs. Jasper Dilleys, near Mount Tabor.

It was Mrs. Hogsett's good fortune to have the esteem and good will of all of her acquaintances. Genial and cheerful in her deportment, her heart was full of kindness and she was ever ready day or night to listen to the relief of her neighbors at the risk of health and personal convenience.

By her death the writer is bereaved of a life long friend, and he would unite with her children and kindred in a heart-felt effort to keep her memory ever fresh.

W. T. P.

ALVIN BURR.

Died—At his residence east of Hillsboro, February 20, Alvin Burr aged about 38 years. He was a much respected person for his integrity and industry. He worked to a good advantage in the woods a number of years. For some time past he has been farming with fine prospects. By his death our county has been bereaved of a very substantial citizen.

The interment took place Wednesday at the McNeel cemetery with Masonic honors.

MRS. MARTHA LEWIS.

Mrs. Lewis died unexpectedly at her home near Academy, February 20. Heart failure was the supposed cause. Two children, George and Annie Lewis survive her; her husband, Christopher Lewis died five years ago. Mrs. Lewis was reared near Alvon where two sisters and a brother, James Cackley still reside. Rev. A. M. Cackley D. D., of the Baltimore Conference was a brother of the deceased. Mrs. Lewis was an acceptable member of the Methodist Church.

J. H. D.

NOTICE.

Sealed bids will be received by the undersigned at his office in the town of Marlinton, W. Va., until 12 o'clock noon on the 7th day of March, 1899, to open and construct the one mile of the Rich Mountain Road, in the Green Bank District, in this county, commencing at the "Jake's Lick Run," at the upper end of A. M. V. Arbogast's farm, and extending to a point at or near the residence of J. W. Blair, on the location heretofore established, according to the following specifications, to-wit: The road to be built twelve feet wide and dugged entirely out of the bank. No bracing or breast works of timber to be allowed in the construction of said road. Outside of road to be built ten inches higher than inside, so that the drain will be towards the hill. The court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

S. L. BROWN,
Clerk County Court.

Fiduciary Notice.

The accounts of the following fiduciaries are before me for settlement:

S. B. Hannah and C. L. Lightner Executors of Allan Gallord, deceased.
John C. Price and Wm. T. Price, Committee of James H. Price, deceased.
L. M. MCCLINTIC, Commissioner of Accounts.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 4th, 1899,

(first day of circuit court) between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m., the farm that belonged to my father (J. C. Louny, Sr.), at his death, lying on the waters of Cummings Creek, near Huntersville in said county, and estimated to contain 225 acres, [exact area to be ascertained by actual survey between now and that time and made known on day of sale]; about forty acres of which are now in meadow and fallow ground, one hundred acres in pasture land, mostly cleared, all under fence, and 80 acres in woodland.

TERMS: One third of the purchase money, cash in hand, and for the residue, the purchaser will be required to give two interest bearing bonds of equal amount, payable in one and two years from date, with approved personal security.

J. C. LOURY,
Executor of Josiah C. Louny, Sr. dec'd.
Feb. 23d, 1899.

Order of Publication.

State of West Virginia,
Pocahontas county, to-wit:

At rules held in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court of said county, on Monday the 6th day of February, 1899.

Maggie V. Lightner, Plaintiff
vs.
Everette A. Lightner, Defendant

The object of this suit is to procure a divorce by the plaintiff from the bonds of matrimony with the defendant, and it appearing by affidavit filed that the defendant Everette A. Lightner is a non resident of the state of West Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear here within one month after the first publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit.

Witness J. H. Patterson, clerk of our said court, at the court-house, this 6th day of February, 1899.

J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk.

NOTICE TO TAKE DEPOSITIONS.

To Everette Lightner: Take notice that on the 29th day of March, 1899, between the hours of 6 a. m. and 6 p. m. of that day, at the law office of N. C. McNeil, in the town of Marlinton, West Virginia, I will take the deposition of Charles Beverage and others to be read as evidence in my behalf in a certain suit in chancery now pending in the circuit court of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, in which I am plaintiff and you are defendant; and if from any cause the taking of said depositions shall not be commenced or completed on that day, the same shall be continued from day to day or from time to time, at the same place and between the same hours until the same shall be completed. MAGGIE V. LIGHTNER, by Counsel,

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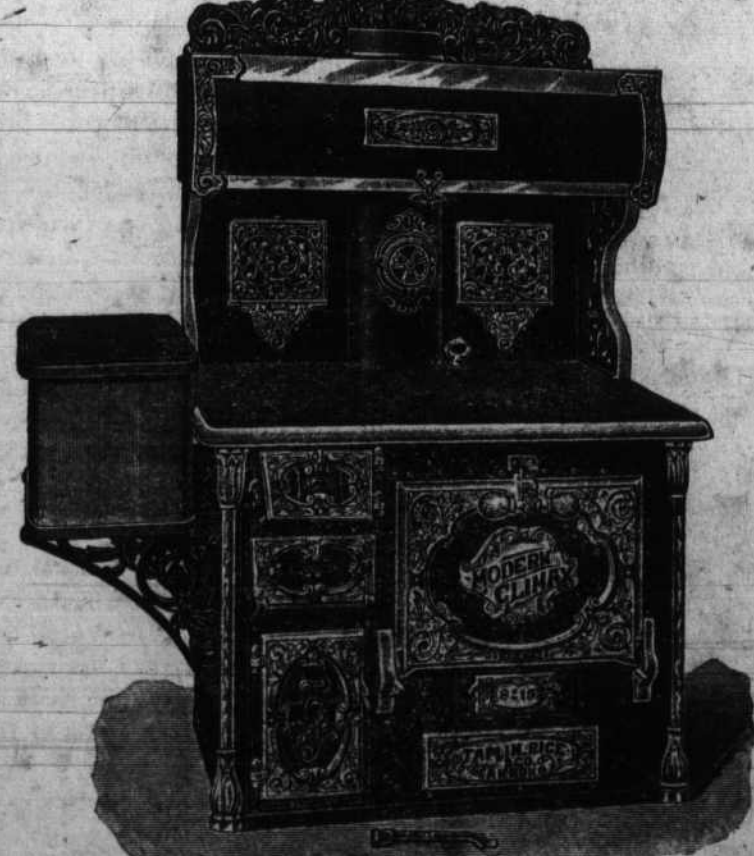
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